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Subject: Pollution Report No. 4
Calumet Container
3631 State Line Avenue, Hammond, IN
Latitude: 41.9769
Longitude: -87.5236

POLREP No.:	4	Site #:	0566
Reporting Period:	10/11-11/04/05	D.O. #:	
Start Date:	9/28/2005	Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:		Response Type:	Time-Critical
Completion Date:		NPL Status:	Non NPL
CERCLIS ID #:	IND980500193	Incident Category:	Removal Action
RCRIS ID #:		Contract #	

Site Description

The Calumet Container site is located at 3631 State Line Avenue in Hammond, Lake County, Indiana. The site occupies approximately 11 acres of in a mixed industrial and residential area. Approximately 90 percent of the property lies in Indiana while the remaining 10 percent is situated in Illinois. The site is bounded to the north by 136th Street and by the Indiana Harbor Belt Railway in every other direction. Wolf Lake, an interstate and recreational fishing lake, is located approximately 100 yards north of the site. Powderhorn Lake, another recreational lake, is located approximately 60 yards southwest of the site. The geographic coordinates for the site are latitude 41° 38' 57" north and longitude 87° 31' 25" west.

See Initial POLREP for additional information.

Current Activities

During the week of October 14, 2005, office trailers and utilities were mobilized to the site.

During the week of October 21, Environmental Restoration (ER) began removing paint waste sludge from 2 tankers (2,000- and 5,000-gallon) on the site and placing the waste into 29 55-gallon drums. Samples were collected from the liquid and solid waste and analyzed for TCLP lead and TCLP VOCs.

ERRS subcontractor, Bucko Construction (Bucko), began consolidating scrap metal, tree stumps, concrete, and tires on the site. Bucko also created a gravel and steel plate bridge across the pipeline right-of-way.

The City of Hammond erected a "Slow Down, Work Site Ahead" sign along 136th street.

On October 26, 2005, proposed administrative settlement notices were sent out to the 60 potentially responsible parties for the site.

On Saturday, October 29, Homer Tree Service removed approximately 1,400 cubic yards of wood chips from the site.

During the week of October 31, 2005, ER removed contents of 500-gallon tank and placed into 6 55-gallon drums. ER also removed paint waste sludge from a 1,000-gallon metal box and placed into 6 55-gallon drums. Bucko continued removing scrap metal, tires, concrete, and brush from the northern portion of the site.

The tires collected from the site were transported to ENTEC in White Pigeon, Michigan, on November 2, 2005. IDEM arranged for the disposal of the tires.

On November 2, 2005, START and ERRS collected disposal samples from test trenches on both the northern and southern portions of the site.

Planned Removal Actions

ERRS plans to begin excavating the upper two feet of contaminated soil (approximately 19,250 cubic yards). Excavation activities will begin the southern portion of the site.

Estimated Costs *

	Budgeted	Total To Date	Remaining	% Remaining
Extramural Costs				
ERRS - Cleanup Contractor	\$1,500,000.00	\$74,930.62	\$1,425,069.38	95.00%

RST/START	\$13,000.00	\$8,047.46	\$4,952.54	38.10%
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Intramural Costs

Total Site Costs	\$1,513,000.00	\$82,978.08	\$1,430,021.92	94.52%
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* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

Disposition of Wastes

Waste Stream	Quantity	Manifest #	Disposal Facility
Wood chips	1,400 cubic yards		Homer Tree Service
Recyclable scrap metal	430 cubic yards		United Scrap Cicero, Illinois
Unchipped brush	90 cubic yards		Best Disposal
Tires	40 cubic yards		ENTEC White Pigeon, Michigan

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